production of these bulk drugs for the year 1989-90 is given as under:—

Name of the bulk drug	Production (MT)
Pheno barbitone/Sodium	2·58
Pyrantal Pamoate	39.49

(f) and (g) Prices of formulations are determined on the basis of information available in respect of notified price of a bulk drug, its landed price if imported and quantum of import vis-a-vis indigenous production. If the imports are more than two third of the total availability of the bulk drug in the country, the landed price is adopted for the purpose of price determination of its formulation.

Instances of Over-invoicing of Imports

1340. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that number of instances of over invoicing of imports have come to the notice of Government;

(b) whether it is also a fact that major formulators of Triprolidine Hcl, Thioridazine, Carbanmezapine, Diclofenac Sodium are importing the drugs from their principals at much higher prices than the others;

(c) if so, names of the companies, CIF price of each during 1990-91;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the landed cost of import of Tolnafate, Valporic Acid, Sulphadiazine, Diclofenac Sodium, Carbamezapine, Griseofulvin, Triprolidone Hcl and Thoridazine is much lower than the price of drug taken in price fixation of finished medicines; and

(e) what is the prices of each bulk drug taken in price fixation of finished medicines and what is the landed cost of import druing 1990-91 and current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) A number of complaints have been received alleging over-charging in imports of drugs and drug intermediates. These cases have been referred to the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence for necessary action.

(b) and (c) As per information available with this Department, there are complaints of over-invoicing regarding imports of Triprolidine Hcl and Thioridazine out of the four drugs mentioned in part (b) of the Question. These complaints are against M/s. Sandoz and M/s. Burroughs Wellcome respectively. The import price of the drugs are not being monitored.

(d) to (e) Prices of formulations are determined on the basis of information in respect of notified price of a bulk drug, its landed price if imported and quantum of import *vis-a-vis* indigenous production. If the imports are more than 2/3 of the total availability of the bulk drug in the country, the landed price is adopted for the purpose of price determination of its formulations.

Price of Sulphadiazine

1341. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have increased the price of Sulphadiazine from Rs. 461 per kg., Furazolidine to Rs. 460, Dilozanice Furoate to Rs. 601;

(b) whether it is a fact that formulation prices would be fixed on the basis of increased prices;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Sulphadiazine is being imported ten times more than the indigenous production and the production of Furazolidine is around 70 tons per annum;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the leader formulator has stopped production of Dilozanide Furoate and is getting at Rs. 390 per kg.;

(e) whether it is a fact that formulators would get undue benefit around Rs. 57.50 million on Sulphadiazine, Rs. 31.92 million on Furazolidine and huge benefit on Diloxanide Furoate; and

(f) if so, what are the reasons on which these aspects have been totally ignored?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b), (e) and (f) Prices of formulations are determined on the basis of information available in respect of notified price of a bulk drug, its landed price if imported and quantum of imports *vis-a-vis* indigenous production. If the imports are more than 2/3rd of the total availability of the bulk drug in the country, the landed price is adopted for the purpose of price determination of its formulation.

(c) and (d) The information will be collected and laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Setting up of a Hospital by Union Carbide Corporation

1342. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Union Carbide Corporation of USA has decided to set up a well-equipped hospital for the gas victims and has earmarked Rs. 50 crores for this purpose;

(b) if so, whether Government have cleared the said project; and

(c) by when the Hospital is likely to be completed and start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c) According to the reports in the press, Union Carbide Corporation (UCC) is willing to provide Rs. 50 crores towards construction and operation of the hospital.

The Government of Madhya Pradesh have informed that it has allotted 30 acres of land in Bhopal free of cost for the said hospital. The Court has directed that the hospital shall be completed and made functional wihin 18 months. Action to prepare detailed project report has been initiated.

Setting up Monitoring Cell for Production of Drugs

1343. SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have set up a monitoring cell to monitor the production of drugs;

(b) if so, what are the names of drugs which are being produced from intermediate and penultimate stage and since when each is being produced;

(c) what are the names of drugs the production of which is covered under Phased Manufacturing Programme and what are the details of PMP in each case;

(d) what are the names of drugs the production of which have been started according to PMP conditions;

(e) what are the names of drugs on which wholesale price index is based and what is the stage of production of each; and

(f) what are the names of producers of each and what was the production of each drug of each producer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) The Montitoring and Evaluation Section in the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals monitors the production of some identified bulk drugs in the organised sector.

(b) to (d) After the announcement of Drug Policy of 1986, PMP is fixed for each bulk drug based on the report of the technical committee. Since there are a large number of bulk drugs, the re-